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SUBJECT: 31ST UNGA - FOREIGN MINISTER WILLS' GENERAL DEBATE

ADDRESS: FURTHER THOUGHTS.

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1. IT STRIKES US THAT REFTELS MAY HAVE FAILED TO CAPTURE
SOMEWHAT EXTREMIST TONE OF FOREIGN MINISTER WILLS' UN
SPEECH OF SEPTEMBER 27.

2. ADDRESS WAS IMMODERATE IN ITS TREATMENT OF SECRETARY'S
EFFORTS IN AFRICA, CRITICIZING PRESENT
PROGRESS WITH THE THOUGHT THAT "GEORGE WASHINGTON WAS NOT
TOLD ON THE EVE OF VICTORY THAT HE WOULD HAVE FREEDOM IN
TWO YEARS," AND CHALLENGING THE "ANGLO
AMERICAN PROPOSALS" AS ENVISAGING A "TRANSITIONAL
GOVERNMENT WITH BUILT-IN MINORITY POWER STRUCTURES." HE
CALLED ECONOMIC AID "A SWEETENER" AND "THE MOST UNKINDEST
CUT OF ALL." (SIC)

3. CITING CYPRUS AS AN EXAMPLE OF "INTERFERENCE BY OTHER
STATES IN THE AFFAIRS OF A SMALL STATE," HE LAUNCHED
INTO A CATALOGUE OF "TECHNIQUES OF DESTABILIZATION" USED
AGAINST GOVERNMENTS WHICH "SEEK TO FREE THEIR ECONOMIES
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FROM THE STRANGLEHOLD OF IMPERIALIST CONTROL." HE SAID,

"THEY RANGE FROM THE COMPARATIVELY UNOBTRUSIVE CHANGE OF KEY PERSONNEL TO BLOODY EVENTS WHICH SOMETIMES CULMINATE IN SUCH TRAGEDIES AS THE DEATH OF ALLENDE. THE TECHNIQUES USED ARE EQUALLY CLEAR AND UNMISTAKABLE. THE PROMOTION OF INTERNAL UNREST WITH A VIEW TO THE BREAKDOWN OF LAW AND ORDER; THE FOMENTING OF INTRA-REGIONAL CONFLICTS THROUGH CLIENT STATES; THE FINANCING AND ORGANIZATION OF HOSTILE PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGNS; THE ATTACKING OF EMBASSIES AND CONSULATES; THE MANIPULATION OF INTERNATIONAL MARKETS; THE RESTRICTIONS ON EXPORT CAPABILITIES; THE FRUSTRATION OF BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL AID; THE SUBVERSION OF ECONOMIC OBJECTIVES BY THE MACHINATIONS OF TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS - THIS ARSENAL OF DESTABILIZING TECHNIQUES IS AIMED IN THE FIRST INSTANCE AT ENSURING THE CONTINUATION OF A RELATIONSHIP OF DEPENDENCY BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, AND IN THE SECOND INSTANCE AT YOKING THE LEGITIMATE ASPIRATIONS OF THE PEOPLES IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO THE STRATEGIC CONCEPTIONS OF LARGER NATIONS."

4. BY CONTRAST, WILLS' TREATMENT OF STRICTLY ECONOMIC THEMES, WHILE HOLDING TO THE FAMILIAR NON-ALIGNED PARTY LINE, DID NOT RAISE ANY NEW OR PARTICULARLY OFFENSIVE ISSUES.

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